

applications / patents are highly relevant to the allowability of the current invention.

Additionally, I have a related co-pending U.S. Non-Provisional patent application titled "IMAGE CONTROLLERS AND SENSORS" (as amended), application number 08/677,378 filed 07/05/96.

I also have a pending U.S. Non-Provisional patent application titled GAME CONTROL WITH ANALOG PRESSURE SENSOR(S) filed at the U.S. PTO Feb. 22, 2000, S.N. 09/510,572 as a Rule 1.53(b) continuation of co-pending "allowed" U.S. non-provisional patent application 08/942,450.

I also have yet another pending U.S. Non-Provisional application titled HAND-HELD CONTROL WITH ANALOG PRESSURE SENSOR(S) filed April 18, 2000, serial number 09/551,513, which is in effect a continuation in part of s.n. 08/942,450 and which claims the benefits of filing dates of my applications 08/677,378 and 60/133,682.

I also have a pending U.S. Non-Provisional patent application titled ANALOG CONTROLS HOUSED WITH ELECTRONIC DISPLAYS filed May 10, 2000, serial number 09/568,662 and claiming the date of U.S. Provisional 60/133,682 and Non-Provisional "allowed" U.S. S.N. 08/942,450.

I also have a pending U.S. Non-Provisional application titled KEYBOARD WITH DEPRESSIBLE ANALOG SCROLL CONTROL filed at the U.S. PTO May 2, 2000. (no serial number received back as of yet). The KEYBOARD WITH DEPRESSIBLE ANALOG SCROLL CONTROL application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional 60/135,085 filed 05/20/99.

I also have still another co-pending U.S. Non-provisional patent application titled DISPLACEMENT JOYSTICK WITH COMPRESSION-SENSITIVE SENSORS, filed Feb. 19, 1999 S.N. 09/253,263.

I have additional pending patent applications, both National and PCT, which I have not listed herein because I do not believe they involve Double Patenting issues with the current invention.

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A listing of all of currently known prior art which might be related to the instant invention is in the above listed application files, however, none of the prior art which is not specifically listed in the instant application file is material to the patentability of the present invention. Applicant does not believe the instant invention is disclosed or suggested by any prior art alone or combined.

The three applications listed on page 1 above as currently allowed (or possibly now issued) are mentioned because the inventions thereof are related but not identical to the present invention. Therefore, Applicant is concerned about the issues of: 1) Double patenting, and 2) the indication of patentability, provided by my earlier allowed related invention / applications, when viewed relative to the current contrary rejected status of claims of Applicant's present application. Applicant believes the allowability of the earlier related applications indicate, at least to a degree worthy of consideration, allowability of the present claims. Thus, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner please review the earlier allowed applications, the files of which are either in the PTO Publications / Issue department or the patents have just recently been issued.

In the Office Action of 6/20/00, it is noted that the claimed invention of claims 1-23 has not been found as disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of 35 USC. It is also noted that claims 1-23 are rejected as "obvious", i.e., 35 USC 103(a), anticipated or suggested by the prior art relied upon.

Applicant respectfully disagrees with the conclusions drawn from the prior art as the basis for rejecting the claims. Additional remarks favoring allowance will be presented following amendments so that the remarks may be directed toward the claims as amended. Thank you.

